(a) whether it is a fact that all wakf properties in the country are either in adverse possession or are fetching very low returns, thereby depriving the community of the benefit of these properties;

(b) if so, whether the Central Government proposes to consult the State Governments to evolve a joint course of action to remedy the situation; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) to (c) To enable the State Wakf Boards to manage the wakf properties better, the Joint Parliamentary Committee on wakf has recommended amendments in the Wakf Act, 1995. The Government has consulted the State Governments on the amendments to the Wakf Act. This issue has been processed further as per approved modalities.

15-Point Programme in Goa

2501. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the New 15 Point Programme is being implemented in Goa;

(b) if so, whether any financial assistance has been given to the State and if so, the quantum thereof;

(c) the activities carried out under the programme;

(d) whether the old 15 Point Programme was also implemented in the State; and

(e) if so, the details of the financial assistance given to the State under the old Programme and activities carried out under it since implementation of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Physical targets are allocated for the following schemes and the targets for Goa for 2008-09 are given below:-

Schemes	Target earmarked for minorities
Merit-cum-means scholarship for students from the minority communities [Ministry of Minority Affairs]	49 students
Post-matric scholarship for students from the minority communities [Ministry of Minority Affairs]	428 students
Pre-matric scholarship for students from the minority communities [Ministry of Minority Affairs]	1546 students

Financial assistance targets for minorities under the schemes considered amenable to earmarking in 2008-09, in respect of Goa, are given below:-

Schemes	Target earmarked for minorities
Priority Sector Lending [Department of Financial Services]	Rs. 668.22 crore
Swarn Jayanti Shahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY) [Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation]	Rs. 4.09 lakh
Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) [Ministry of Rural Development]	Rs. 62.13 lakh

(c) The details of activities under Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme for the Welfare of Minorities are available in the Ministry's website www. minorityaffairs.gov.in

(d) and (e) The old 15 Point Programme, announced in 1983, was recast and replaced by the new programme in June, 2006 incorporating programme specific interventions and definite goals to be achieved.

Grants to NGOs

2502.SHRI SABIR ALI: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of NGOs that were given grants during the last two years and this year, so far;

(b) the amount and the purpose in each case;

(c) the criteria on which the grant was given; and

(d) the NGOs which did not utilize the grant properly and were blacklisted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) and (b) 374 NGOs have been given grants by the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Maulana Azad Education Foundation(MAEF) and Central Wakf Council (CWC) during 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10. The detailed information is available on the website of Ministry *i.e.* www.minorityaffairs.gov.in for the grants by the Ministry of Minority Affairs. The information in respect of Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF) is available on their website www.maef.nic.in. The information with respect to Central Wakf Council (CWC) is available on their website www.centralwakfcouncil.org.

(c) Ministry of Minority Affairs releases grant to the NGOs in respect of Free Coaching & Allied Scheme as per the criteria given below:-

Grant-in-aid to the coaching institutes, including non-government organizations, under the Free Coaching and Allied Scheme for the candidates belonging to minority communities is given *inter alia*,